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The Applicant response is treated by the examiner as follows:

1. Upon further review and based on the amendment filed on 12/14/09, the objection to the specification on the ground that it does not provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter has been withdrawn (see also applicants remarks).

2. Upon further review and based on the amendment filed on 12/14/09, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph on the ground that failing to comply with the enablement requirement and written description requirement have been withdrawn (see also applicants remarks).

3. In response to applicant's argument that Ohnishi, as shown in Fig. 2, describes a conical member used as a projected central area (17). The axis of the conical member is parallel to a longitudinal axis of the venturi nozzle, the examiner would like to point out that both Fig 2 of the Ohnishi reference and the prior art shown on Figs 20 in Ohnishi reference inherently have two axis one of which is parallel to the longitudinal axis of the venture nozzle and the other one transverse to the longitudinal axis of the venturi nozzle and shown below.

FIG. 2

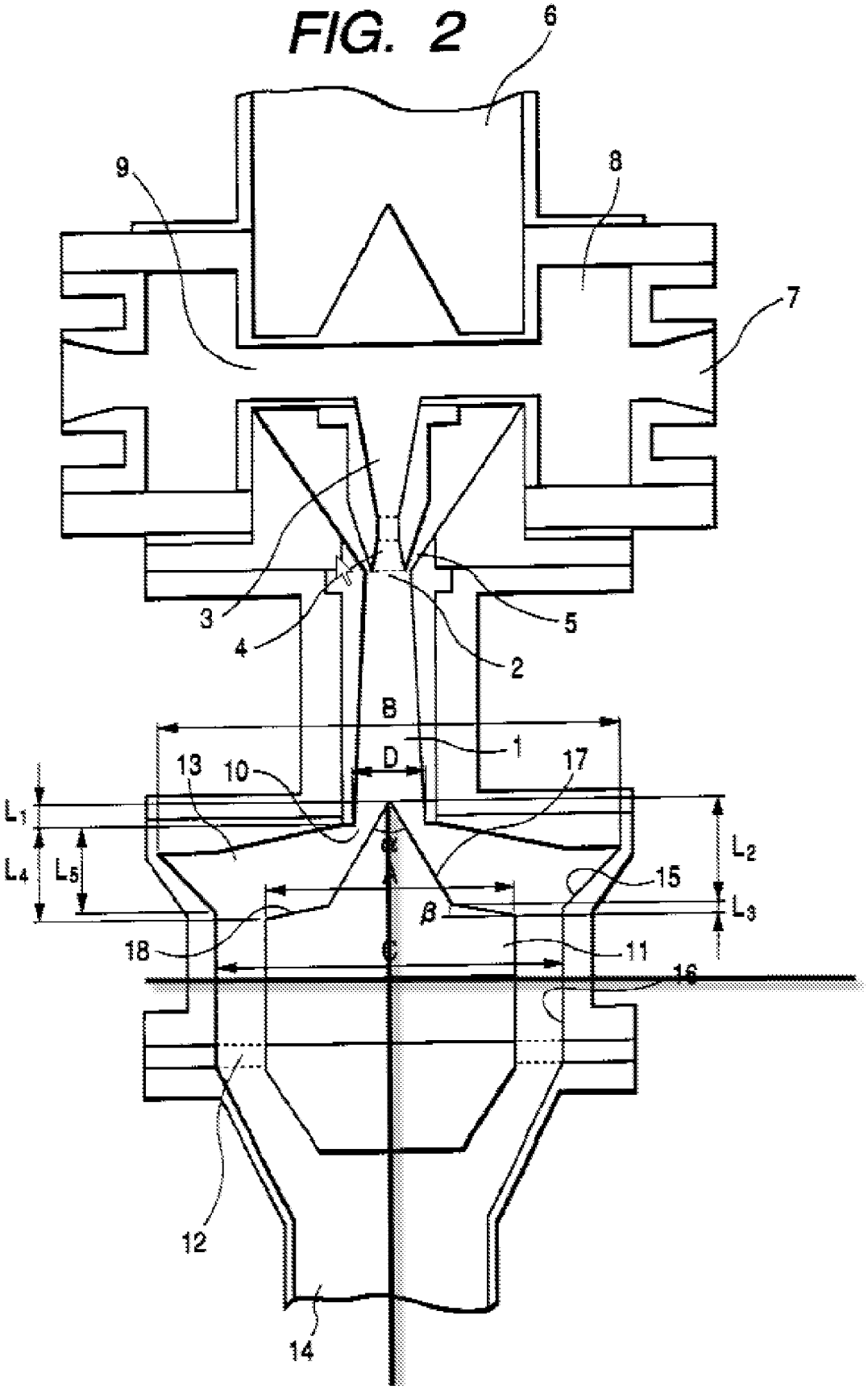
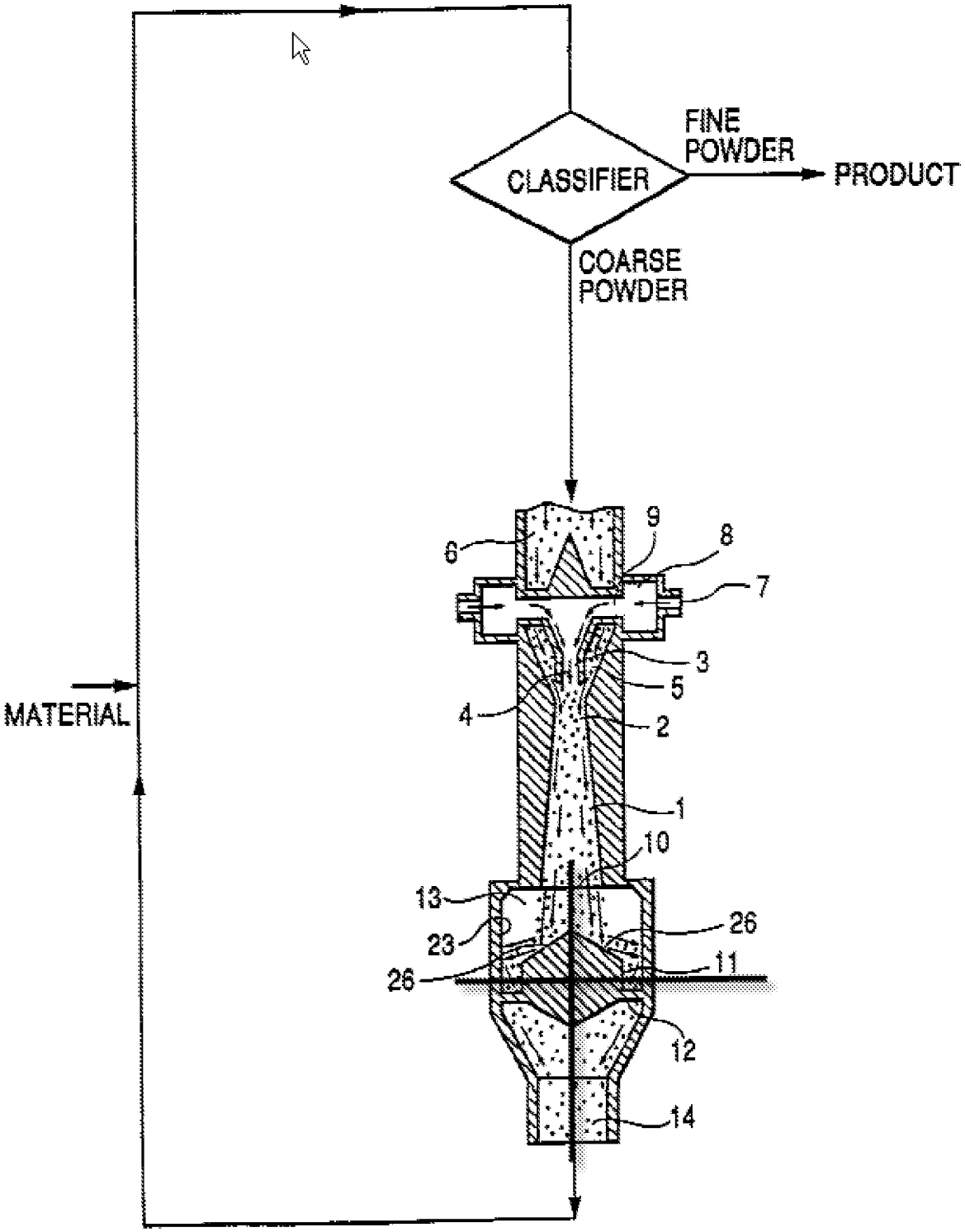


FIG. 20
PRIOR ART



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